



**2010 CENSUS**  
**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**Bureau of the Census**  
**Recruiting Bulletin**

**OPENING DATE:** August 12, 2009  
**CLOSING DATE:** August 18, 2009

Recruiting Bulletin No. 09-2599-IL-AMA-A  
Chicago Regional Census Center  
Chicago, IL

**POSITION TITLE:** Assistant Manager of Administration (AMA)

**PAY RATE:** \$22.50 per hour

**NUMBER OF VACANCIES:** One position per Local Census Office

**EXCEPTED SERVICE APPOINTMENT:** Schedule A Appointment, not-to-exceed one year, with the possibility of a one year extension.

**AREA OF CONSIDERATION:** Chicago Regional Census Center, Local Census Offices located within the State of Illinois.

**MULTIPLE DUTY STATION LOCATIONS.** Applicants will be considered for vacancies within specific geographic boundaries of the Local Census Office.

**Applicants residing in the following Chicago, IL zip codes:**

**60606, 60607, 60608, 60609, 60610, 60612, 60614, 60616, 60618, 60622, 60639, 60647, 60651, 60661.**

**WHO MAY APPLY:** All U.S. Citizens residing in the State of Illinois, within the specific geographic boundaries of the Local Census Office.

**NOTE:** Applicants who previously applied for Vacancy Announcement 08-2599-IL-AMA or 09-2599-IL-AMA do not need to reapply. Applicants will be considered based on their residence for the LCO where they reside. This announcement allows for additional applicants to apply. Qualified Applicants from Vacancy Announcement 08-2599-IL-AMA and 09-2599-IL-AMA who reside within the geographic boundaries for this Local Census Office will be considered with any additional Qualified Applicants. Applicants will be considered based on their residence for the LCO where they reside.

**DUTIES: Assistant Manager for Administration (AMA):** Responsible for supervising and managing the payroll, supply requisitioning, and other administrative activities. Assures these activities are accomplished efficiently and expeditiously. Supervises the Office Operations Supervisors and up to 10 clerks. May also assist with recruiting activities. Supervises the daily processing of payroll, personnel, and other administrative documents. Monitors day-to-day selection, payroll, and personnel activities, reviewing completed work for accuracy and assuring that time schedules are met. Oversees payroll and personnel activities, helps maintain the flow and quality of work to meet deadlines. Monitors work status and makes

adjustments to expedite production. Maintains working personnel payroll records which contain information covered by the Privacy Act. Provides administrative management information reports to the Office Manager and other management personnel. Maintains office facilities through an effective relationship with leasers or office building managers. Responsible for the approval of supply and material equipment requisitions, as needed to ensure continuity of office operations. Assists in setting up and closing the ELCO/LCO, assuring minimal waste of excess supplies and equipment. Through the use of manuals and on-the-job training, provides for the development of administrative staff. Assures the administrative operations are conducted within prescribed time schedules and budget allocations. Identifies problems and communicates clearly and persuasively the action associated with encountered problems. Assists as the principal technical advisor on administrative operations in the LCO answering inquiries from the Office Operations Supervisor and providing guidance to LCO employees

**QUALIFICATIONS:** To qualify for this position position, all applicants **MUST**

- 1) Pass a written management test.

**AND**

- 2) Have at least the minimum experience in each of the three areas contained in the Evaluation Criteria Attachment. Your experience for all three must be at least at the level described as “c” in the attached Evaluation Criteria Statement for the Local Census Office Manager. If you do not have that level of experience for any one of the questions, you are not qualified for the position. For each of the three Evaluation Criteria statements in the attachment, select the letter that best describes your experience. You must have experience in **all** aspects of the work described in order to claim credit for any given level. If you do not meet any part of the description for a level, you may not take credit for it and must chose one of the lower levels that you do meet in full.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA:** Applicants must provide information demonstrating they have the knowledge and experience listed in the Evaluation Criteria. This information must be addressed in the statements for Evaluation Criteria listed below and include it with your application packet you will bring to the testing.

(See the attached sheet with the Evaluation Criteria questions)

**HOW TO APPLY:** : Each applicant must submit: (Please follow the 4 steps outlined below)

**Bring completed application packet to the testing session. There are 6 positions available for application. Applicants must submit a separate application for each position to which they wish to receive consideration.**

**STEP 1: An Application: The following formats may be used**

- A. Optional Application for Federal Employment, OF-612, Please visit the OPM website: [http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf\\_fill/of612.pdf](http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/of612.pdf) **AND/OR**
- B. A resume for this position listing your duties and accomplishments relating to the job for which you are applying **OR**
- C. SF-171, Application for Federal Employment (this form is obsolete but may be used)

Additionally, the following information is needed to evaluate your qualifications and determine if you meet legal requirements for Federal employment. **Failure to provide this information may result in loss of consideration.**

- Recruiting Bulletin number, title, and lowest grade acceptable.
- Full name, mailing address (including zip code) and day and evening phone numbers (with area code).
- Social Security number
- Country of citizenship (**this Federal job requires U.S. citizenship**).
- Veteran's Preference – Applicants claiming 10-point veterans preference must submit an SF-15, Application for 10-Point Veteran's Preference, with the required proof (i.e., statement from the Department of Veterans Affairs) and the latest copy of the DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. If the applicant does not provide the supporting documentation for the 10-point preference, but has provided the documentation for the 5-point preference, they will receive the 5-point preference only (until the documentation for the 10-point preference is received).
- Highest Federal civilian grade held (if applicable)
- Highest education level achieved. Specify: name, city, state, zip code (if known), date or expected date (month/year) of completion of degree requirements, type of degree received, and graduate of foreign universities must include proof of foreign education equivalency to an accredited U.S. college/university. To qualify based on education, submit a copy of your college transcript, along with your application.
- Paid and non-paid work experience related to the position. For each work experience include: job title, series/grade (if Federal employment), duties and accomplishments, employer's name and address, supervisor's name and address, starting and ending dates, hours per week, salary, and indicate if we may contact your current supervisor/employer.
- Job-related: training courses (title and year), skills (e.g., other languages, typing speed, computer software/hardware, tools, etc.), certificates/licenses (current), and honors, awards, and special accomplishments (e.g., publications, memberships in professional societies, etc.).
- Use of any Government agency envelopes to file job application is a violation of Federal laws and regulations. Applications submitted in Government envelopes or via Government FAX machines **will not be accepted.**
- Disabled veterans or any other applicants eligible for non-competitive appointments, should specify their special eligibility on the application. Individuals with a disability may request reasonable accommodations by calling (insert telephone number).

**Step 2:** Each applicant must submit an OF-306, Declaration of Federal Employment. Please visit the OPM website: [http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf\\_fill/of0306.pdf](http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/of0306.pdf)

**Step 3:** Candidates will be evaluated on the extent and quality of their experience, education, and accomplishments as related to the following elements. To be considered, applicants must submit a separate individual statement addressing each **Evaluation Criteria** statement. **These questions must be completed and submitted along with the application.** (See attached sheet with the Evaluation Criteria questions.)

**Step 4:** Take and pass the Census Supervisor test (D-270). If you have already taken and passed the Supervisor test, (within the last two years), you do not need to take the test again.

**Complete application package/s must be presented at the time of testing.**

**Applicants MUST bring the following documentation (along with the completed application package) to the testing session:**

1. **Photo Identification:** Must be a valid – unexpired Federal or State issued ID with your picture on it.  
*Some examples include, but are not limited to:*
  - U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card
  - Drivers License or State ID card
2. **Additional Identification:** *Some examples include, but are not limited to:*
  - U.S. Social Security Card
  - Original, or certified copy of a birth certificate issued by a state, county, municipal, authority or outlying possession of the United States bearing an official seal.
  - Native American tribal document
  - U.S. Citizen ID card
3. **OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment:** As listed above.
4. **Evaluation Criteria:** As listed above (*See attached sheet*)
5. **Be prepared to provide 3 Professional and 3 Personal references** (*name and phone number*)

### **TESTING AND APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

To receive consideration – (1) Applicants must complete the testing process by the 7<sup>th</sup> calendar day following the Closing Date listed in the announcement. (2) The required application materials, as indicated above, must be submitted at the time of testing.

**SELECTION NOTE:** Qualified Applicants will be referred to the Reviewing and Selecting Officials for consideration. Reviewing and Selecting Officials will interview the highest ranking candidates; lower ranking candidates may or may not receive an interview.

**Payment of relocation expenses IS NOT authorized.**

If you have questions regarding the APPLICATION process, please call the Regional Census Center, Recruiting Department at 1-800-470-8896. For testing information, please contact the Early Local Census office at: 312-265-8660.

-This is a Mixed-Tour work schedule that may be changed from full-time, part-time, or intermittent to accommodate fluctuating workloads.

-Candidates selected for these positions must sign agreements outlining the conditions of employment prior to the appointment.

-You will be required to complete a Declaration of Federal Employment (OF-306) to determine your suitability for Federal employment and to authorize a background investigation. You will also be required to sign and certify the accuracy of all the information in your application. If you make a false statement in any part of your application, you may not be hired; or you may be fired after you begin; or you may be fined or jailed.

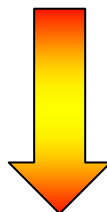
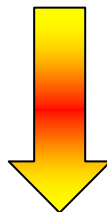
-Public law requires all new appointees to present proof of identity and employment eligibility (e.g., U.S. citizenship).

-If selected, male applicants born after 12/31/1959 must confirm their selective service registration status. Certification forms are available at most Federal agency personnel offices, or from the U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

### **THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE IS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

The Census Bureau does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factor.

### **SCROLL DOWN TO FIND (3) EVALUATION CRITERIA QUESTIONS**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

To be considered, applicants must complete the form below addressing each of the following and submit with application.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA STATEMENT FOR  
ASSISTANT MANAGER FOR ADMINISTRATION**

**COLUMN A**

**Applicants are required to answer each of the three questions below in Column A by circling the best response and completing the corresponding information in Column B.**

**1. Please select the answer that best describes your experience demonstrating the ability to provide direct supervision over employees/ supervisors. (Circle the appropriate letter.)**

- a. As my primary responsibility, I have experience with **both** of the following: managing a staff of 20 or more employees that included at least **two** levels/tiers of subordinate management (e.g. I supervised manager(s) who, in turn, supervised other supervisor(s) or team-lead(s)); **and**, managing a rigorous, time-sensitive, fixed deadline operation such as a weekly payroll, billing, or delivery operation where the failure to deliver the product/service with almost perfect accuracy and on-time would have resulted in severe hardship for the organization.
- b. As my primary responsibility, I have experience with **both** of the following: managing a staff of 10 or more employees that included at least one level/tier of subordinate management (e.g., I supervised supervisor(s)/team lead(s)); **and**, managing a rigorous, time-sensitive, fixed deadline operation such as a weekly payroll, billing, or delivery operation where the failure to deliver the product/service with almost perfect accuracy and on-time would have resulted in severe hardship for the organization.
- c. As my primary responsibility, I have supervised a staff of 10 or more employees, but I have not had to supervise another supervisor/team-lead **or** I have supervised one level/tier of subordinate management, but the staff I managed was less than 10 employees. The work I supervised had critical deadlines and was time-sensitive in nature.
- d. My experience is less than what is described above.

**COLUMN B**

**Applicants are also required to complete the following.**

1. Indicate the job from your attached resume or other application form that verifies the answer you selected. **OR**
2. Write in the space below your experience that supports your answer. In addition to listing your experience, you **must include** the employer's name and address, the title of the position, and the dates of employment.

***Response must support answer circled in Column A.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**COLUMN A**

**COLUMN B**

**2. Please select the answer that best describes your payroll, personnel, and property management experience. (Circle the appropriate letter.)**

*Response must support answer circled in Column A.*

- a. I have been personally responsible for ensuring the daily processing of payroll and personnel documents. Additionally, I have been personally responsible for all of the following: maintaining office facilities/supplies to ensure the continuity of office operations; managing the property necessary to conduct operations, preparing administrative reports, and training and developing administrative staff.
- b. I have been personally responsible for ensuring the daily processing of payroll and personnel documents. Additionally, I have been personally responsible for some of the following: maintaining office facilities/supplies to ensure the continuity of office operations; managing the property necessary to conduct operations, preparing administrative reports, and/or training and developing administrative staff.
- c. I have been personally responsible for ensuring the daily processing of payroll and personnel documents. However, I have not been personally responsible for any of the following: maintaining office facilities/supplies to ensure the continuity of office operations; managing the property necessary to conduct operations, preparing administrative reports, or training and developing administrative staff.
- d. My experience is less than what is described.

**3. Please select the answer that best describes your experience with using management reports to correct problems with payroll and personnel processing. Circle the response to indicate your answer.**

*Response must support answer circled in Column A.*

- a. I have used management reports to identify payroll and personnel processing problems, and used analysis of these reports to manage the implementation of solutions.
- b. I have used management reports to identify payroll and personnel processing problems, and used analysis of these reports to implement effective solutions myself.
- c. I have used management reports to identify payroll and personnel processing problems and used analysis of these reports to recommend effective solutions to managers, or I have used reports to manage the implementation of solutions unrelated to payroll and personnel processing problems.
- d. My experience is less than what is described above.